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GOV. EASLEY APPOINTS OFFERMAN TO COUNCIL FOR WOMEN

RALEIGH – Gov. Mike Easley has appointed **Muriel K. Offerman** of Cary to the North Carolina Council for Women.

Offerman is the deputy chairman for programs at the Employment Securities Commission in Raleigh. She is past president of Women's Forum of North Carolina, a member of the N.C. Center for Women in Public Service, and former secretary of Revenue. Offerman received the N.C. Woman of the Year in Government award and the Order of the Long Leaf Pine in 2000. She received her Bachelor's degree in humanities from the University of Chicago.

The council advises the governor, the principal state departments, and the state legislature concerning the education and employment of women in the state of North Carolina. The council also advises the secretary of Administration on any matter the secretary may refer to the council and establishes programs for the assistance of displaced homemakers. The council has 20 members, each serving a two-year term. The governor appoints all members.

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